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## MEMORANDUM FOR NARMC MTF COMMANDERS

SUBJECT: CY 2005 Guide to West Nile Virus/Mosquito-borne Disease Surveillance, Prevention and Control

- 1. Commanders will implement a WNV/Mosquito-borne Disease Surveillance, Prevention and Control Program following the NARMC guidelines at their Medical Treatment Facilities (MTFs). Attached are the NARMC Guidelines for WNV/Mosquito-borne Disease Surveillance, Prevention and Control for CY 2005.
- 2. In May 2000, in response to the cases of WNV Encephalitis that occurred in the New York City area in the late summer/fall 1999, and the potential for spread of the disease throughout the Eastern United States, the NARMC developed guidelines for NARMC Medical Treatment Facilities (MTFs) to implement a WNV Encephalitis Surveillance, Prevention and Control Program. This plan resulted in a very successful ongoing partnership among the NARMC, the U.S. Army Center for Health Promotion and Preventive Medicine Region North (CHPPM-N), the North Atlantic Regional Veterinary Command (NARVC), the U.S. Army Medical Research Institute of Infectious Diseases (USAMRIID), and the Department of Defense Global Emerging Infections System (DOD-GEIS) which continues to meet the challenge of controlling the spread of mosquito-borne diseases in the United States. The CY 2005 NARMC Mosquito-borne Disease, Surveillance, Prevention and Control Program builds on previous programs to include all other potential mosquito-borne diseases.
- 3. Point of contact for this action is COL Adeline Washington, Chief, Preventive Medicine Service at 202-782-3963 (DSN 662).

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